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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002, please find enclosed the following:

1) Response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002 (2 pages);

2) PTO Form 2038 authorizing the USPTO to charge \$205 (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) Small Entity Fee) to credit card specified therein for a two-month extension of time;

3) This Transmittal;

If any unresolved issues remain, please contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

The present paper is responsive to the Office Action of November 6, 2002. A for PTO 2038 accompanies the present response and authorizes the Office to charge the required fee for a twomonth extension of time (small Entity) to April 6, 2003 to the credit card specified therein.

At the outset, it is noted that independent claim 10 is not rejected on any reference, and is thus assumed to be allowable.

Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 12, 14, 16 and 17 are rejected as being anticipated by Jung, US patent 03/14/2003 DSASSAR OF COMPONER CONTROL OF CO following reasons. Independent claim 1 recites: 01 FC:2252

> A document image scanner, comprising: "1.

a feed roller;

an image sensor adapted to sense an image of a document inserted in the scanner while pressing the document against the feed roller; and

a printer adapted to print an indicium on the document while pressing the document against the feed roller."

Independent claim 12 recites:

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A document image scanner, comprising a feed roller, an image sensor and a printer, wherein both the image sensor and the printer apply pressure against the feed roller when the printer is in operation."

The Office's attention is respectfully drawn to the precise language of these claims. In claim 1, it is recited that the image sensor is adapted to sense an image of a document inserted in the scanner while pressing the document against the feed roller. The printer is recited as being adapted to print an indicium on the document while pressing the document against the feed roller. Similarly, claim 12 recites that both the image sensor and the printer apply pressure against the feed roller when the printer is in operation.

Jung does not teach or suggest this claimed structure. In Jung, neither the printer 11, 110 nor the scanner 13, 130 ever press the document against the feed roller (as claimed in independent claim 1) or apply pressure against (as claimed in independent claim 12) the feed roller 14, 140. See, in particular, Jung's Figs. 1, 2, 4, 5A, 5B and 6 and their corresponding written description. Neither the printer nor the scanner portions of Jung's combined device presses the document against the feed roller or applies pressure against the feed roller. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the anticipatory rejections applied to independent claims 1 and 12 and to their dependent claims are, therefore, respectfully requested.

None of the secondary references applied in the context of §103 rejections against the dependent claims of the present application remedy the shortcoming of the primary reference identified above. As the rejections of the independent claims are deemed to have been overcome, it is not believed necessary to further discuss the rejections of the dependent claims at this time.

Independent method claim 10 includes recitations of a similar nature as do independent claims 1 and 12 and should also be allowable.

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